

## Overview

The 2011 Legislature has proposed a Justice budget totaling \$4.9 billion which is a \$233.5 million (4.5 percent) decrease from the 2010-11 fiscal year. This includes a \$194.8 million (5.4 percent) decrease in General Revenue funds for a total \$3.4 billion for the 2011-12 fiscal year. The budget also includes a \$38.7 million (2.4 percent) decrease in trust funds for a total \$1.5 billion for the 2011-12 fiscal year. The budget includes funding for 49,277 positions which is 2,410 fewer positions than the 2010-11 fiscal year.

## Key Issues

- Reduces operational costs in the Department of Corrections by \$19.8 million.
- Provides \$38.9 million in nonrecurring General Revenue funding to the State Courts to offset the deficit in the State Courts Revenue Trust Fund.
- Provides \$3.2 million to State Attorneys and \$1.6 million to Public Defenders.
- Provides \$44.2 million in nonrecurring General Revenue funding to the Clerks of Court to offset the decline in revenue in the Clerks of the Court Trust Fund.
- Provides for the privatization of health services in regions 1, 2 and 3. The budget also includes a savings of \$12.2 million for health services efficiencies.
- Provides for the privatization of certain correctional facilities in Region 4 which saves \$11 million.
- Provides no reductions to substance abuse programs.
- Reduces \$19.8 million related to operational costs in DOC due to a decrease in the Criminal Justice Estimating Conference projections.
- Eliminates Basic Training Program (boot camp) within the Department of Corrections resulting in a \$2.7 million reduction in the overall budget from the 2010-11 fiscal year.
- There were no reductions to PACE Center for Girls or Children and Families in Need of Services.
- Provides for a reduction of \$18 million due to less misdemeanors being committed to residential programs.
- Provides \$5.1 million for community-based programs and \$300,000 for electronic monitoring as other options for misdemeanor youth.
- Provides for a transfer of all functions of the Department of Legal Affairs Cybercrime Office to the existing cybercrime unit at the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (net reduction \$1 million).
- Provides \$1 million in recurring General Revenue funds for the Guardian Ad Litem program funded at \$31.6 million.
- Provides \$2.5 million to the Department of Legal Affairs to offset revenue decline in the trust fund.

## Breakdown

### ***Department of Corrections***

- \$2.3 billion budget, which is a decrease of \$152.6 million (6.3 percent) under the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Department of Juvenile Justice***

- \$535.6 million budget, which is a decrease of \$70.6 million (11.65 percent) under the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Department of Law Enforcement***

- \$242.4 million budget, which is a decrease of 7.3 million (3 percent) under the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Legal Affairs/Attorney General***

- \$188.7 million budget, which is a decrease of \$874,000 (0.5 percent) under the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Parole Commission***

- \$8.2 million budget, which is a decrease of \$132,000 (1.6 percent) under the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***State Attorneys***

- \$406.9 million budget, which is an increase of \$10.9 million (2.8 percent) over the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Public Defenders***

- \$198.2 million budget, which is an increase of \$4.0 million (2.1 percent) over the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Public Defenders Appellate Division***

- \$13.9 million budget for Public Defenders Appellate Division, which is the same as the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Justice Administrative Commission***

- \$86.6 million budget, which is an increase of \$396,000 (0.46 percent) over the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Guardian Ad Litem***

- \$31.7 million budget, which is the same as the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Capital Collateral Regional Counsels***

- \$7 million budget, which is a decrease of \$224,000 (0.15 percent) under the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Regional Conflict Counsels***

- \$34.7 million budget, which is a decrease of \$1.7 million (4.8 percent) under the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***Clerks of Court***

- \$447.1 million budget, which is a decrease of \$9.7 million (2.1 percent) under the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation.

### ***State Courts System***

- \$459.2 million budget, which is an increase of \$80,000 in General Revenue and a decrease of \$7.9 million (1.7 percent) in trust funds under the 2010-11 fiscal year appropriation